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# Maggie Brooks

## MONROE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

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### **BROOKS ANNOUNCES FIRE SERVICE AWARD**

Monroe County Executive Maggie Brooks announced today that Monroe County Fire Coordinator Edward Riley has been selected to receive the Fire Service Commendation Medal from the Rochester Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution (SAR).

The annual award is given to public safety officers, law enforcement, fire officials and citizens in recognition of their public service. Recipients are chosen by SAR because they exemplify the best civic traditions of our nation, including an appreciation for true patriotism, a respect for our national symbols, the value of American citizenship, and the unifying force of *e pluribus unum* that created our nation.

Riley began his career in fire service in 1972 when he joined the Lake Shore Fire Department as a volunteer firefighter. He faithfully served his community and gradually rose through the ranks, becoming Fire Chief in 1991. Riley simultaneously worked as a firefighter at the Eastman Kodak Company until 1986 when he left to take on the responsibilities as the Assistant Fire Coordinator for Monroe County. Shortly thereafter, he was promoted as Fire Coordinator and has served in this position for 16 years.

Riley's responsibilities as Fire Coordinator include overseeing firefighter training, fire investigation, and on-scene fire command for all 37 county fire departments and 4,000 county firefighters. He is also responsible for the creation of the Juvenile Fire Setter Intervention Program and the recent Special Operations Office to deal with Domestic Terrorism.

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